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Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application.

Cited in the attached PTO-1449 and enclosed are copies of Japanese Patent Nos. JP 2255977; JP 2271723; JP 9069785; Korean Patent Nos.: 2000-0031184; 2002-0097389; 2001-0066401; KR 144633; 1997-0056108 and Great Britain Patent No. 2 339 644 A.

It is applicant's belief that none of the above citations describe that which is claimed in the present invention.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the citations that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed citations and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the issuance of the first Office Action based on the merits, no petition or fee is required.

Since this paper contains only an IDS in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 it should not be considered a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude prosecution (processing or examination) of the application under paragraphs 37 CFR 1.704(d). Specifically, each item of information contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application and that this communication was not received by any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of this IDS.

Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted.

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